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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/735,306	Applicant(s) GLICKMAN ET AL.	
	Examiner Amir Alavi	Art Unit 2624	

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11 December 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-42 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 16-31 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,4,5,10-12,32,35,36 and 40-42 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 2,3,6-9,13-15,33,34 and 37-39 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 11 December 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

- The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

- Claims 1,4-5,10-12,32,35-36 and 40-42 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Foley (USPN 5,450,130).

Regarding claim 1, Foley discloses: reading a first subset of the subsampled image data into a cache memory and into a buffer, wherein the buffer has an amount of memory equal to or less than the cache memory, calculating chrominance values for at least some pixels of the subset of the subsampled image data to form decompressed image data and outputting the decompressed image data (please note, column 5, lines 21-40).

Regarding claim 4, Foley discloses, wherein the subsampled image data is 4:2:0 cosited image data (please note, column 8, lines 1-10).

Regarding claim 5, Foley discloses, wherein the buffer has a first line, a second line and a third line, and wherein the first line and the third line contain sampled chrominance values of the subsampled image data (please note, figure 2, element 24).

Regarding claim 10, Foley discloses reading a second subset of the subsampled image data into the cache memory and into the buffer after outputting the decompressed image data (please note, figure 2, element 6).

Regarding claim 11, Foley discloses iteratively reading subsets of the subsampled image data into the cache memory and into the buffer, calculating chrominance values for at least some pixels of each subset of the subsampled image data, and outputting the decompressed image data until the subsampled image data has been completely decompressed (please note, figure 2).

Regarding claim 12, Foley discloses wherein the decompressed image data is output to an output buffer configured to hold a complete set of decompressed image data (please note, column 5, lines 35-40).

Regarding claim 32, arguments analogous to those presented for claim 1, are applicable.

Regarding claims 35-36, arguments analogous to those presented for claims 4-5, respectively, are applicable.

Regarding claims 40-42, arguments analogous to those presented for claims 10-12, respectively, are applicable.

Allowable Subject Matter

- Claims 16-31 are allowed.
- Claims 2-3,6-9,13-15,33-34 and 37-39 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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- Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Amir Alavi whose telephone number is 571-272-7386. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thu.. 8:00 am thru 6:30pm.
- If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Bella C. Matthew can be reached on 571-272-7778. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.
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